

20 June 1947

Occupied Germany:

Military Government

Weekly Health Report

Communicable Diseases:

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Diphtheria, tuberculosis, whooping cough, scarlet fever, typhoid, influenza, and measles have decreased in varying degree. The most marked decrease was that of typhoid with a decrease of 50% over the previous week. The incidence of measles is still high but decreased by approximately 50% over the previous week. Cases of diphtheria were reported which is a decrease since September 1945. The incidence of scarlet fever decreased from a rate of 24.1 cases per 100,000 population in October 1945 to a rate of 1.2 for the same month this year. The incidence of whooping cough decreased by approximately 50% over the previous week. The incidence of typhoid decreased by approximately 50% over the previous week. Although the reported cases of tuberculosis of the lung and larynx decreased this week by approximately 125 cases, the rate for the month of May was 25.8 per 100,000 population over the year.

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Occupied Germany:

In the following Appendices "A", "B", and "C" are summaries of communicable disease cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land, and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ended 31 May 1947. Summarized in Appendix "D" is a report of Animal Diseases by Land for the half-month period ended 15 May 1947, together with a comparison of the three immediately preceding periods. (Veterinary reports are submitted semi-monthly.)

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Animal Diseases:

There were no significant changes in the incidence of animal diseases.

APPENDIX "A"

Communicable Disease Report United States Zone of Germany for Week ending 31 May 1947

Regierungs- bezirk	Popu- lation a)	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS from COMMUNICABLE DISEASE																				c: Cases d: Deaths								
		Typhus Fever		Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung and Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis Meningococcus	Poliomyelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis epid.	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles	
TOTAL US Zone	18,405,000	c	—	—	—	—	—	393	130	1271	236	244	9	—	1908	1025	49	30	8	13	—	65	3312	6	—	—	16	161	765	
		P	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	190	26	2	7	—	—	—	6	1	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Unterfranken	1,029,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	20	5	53	21	29	—	—	74	48	9	1	—	—	—	2	368	—	—	—	—	5	79	
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,353,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	50	8	216	8	35	3	—	225	97	9	5	—	3	—	23	698	—	—	—	—	93	302	
		P	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	13	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	2,043,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	34	7	131	25	25	3	—	126	60	5	—	—	—	—	5	623	—	—	—	5	16	181	
		P	—	—	—	—	—	17	2	75	32	9	1	—	88	40	—	3	—	—	—	2	101	—	—	—	1	—	18	
Schwaben	1,240,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	9	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		P	—	—	—	—	—	54	19	155	29	24	—	—	280	166	2	3	1	—	—	3	683	4	—	—	3	31	39	
Oberbayern	2,459,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	27	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		P	—	—	—	—	—	25	12	63	27	6	1	—	97	53	3	3	1	—	—	1	168	—	—	1	—	—	56	
Kassel	1,254,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		P	—	—	—	—	—	28	12	134	20	37	—	—	312	191	4	4	2	—	—	19	62	1	—	1	—	—	38	
Wiesbaden	1,578,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		P	—	—	—	—	—	31	6	74	8	18	—	—	86	52	2	1	—	—	—	3	221	—	—	—	—	—	20	
Darmstadt	1,289,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		P	—	—	—	—	—	29	5	72	20	8	1	—	147	68	3	1	—	—	7	—	230	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Baden	1,397,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		P	—	—	—	—	—	56	39	107	16	52	—	—	168	94	12	9	—	—	—	—	—	75	1	—	2	—	32	
Wuerttemberg	2,281,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		P	—	—	—	—	—	17	4	85	10	1	—	—	182	78	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	83	—	—	—	16	—	—
Bremen	492,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		P	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	990,000	P	—	—	—	—	—	32	11	106	20	—	—	—	123	78	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—
		P	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	40	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

a) Official population estimate established by Civil Administration Division, OMGUS, as of 1 April 1947. + Indicates no data submitted. — Indicates no cases reported.

APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) United States Zone of Germany for Week ending 31 May 1947

Land	Popu- lation (a)	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS from COMMUNICABLE DISEASE																								c: Cases		d: Deaths					
		Cases, Deaths		Typhus Fever ¹	Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung and Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis	Meningococcus	Polymyelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Encephalitis epid.	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles		
Total US Zone	18,405,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	393	130	1271	233	244	9	—	1908	1025	49	30	8	13	—	—	65	3312	6	—	—	16	161	765	
Bavaria	9,124,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	190	26	2	7	—	—	—	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	9	145	619
Hesse	4,121,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	175	41	630	115	122	7	—	793	411	25	12	1	3	—	—	35	2473	4	1	—	—	—	—	
Württemberg- Baden	3,678,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	84	17	1	5	—	—	—	5	8	3	—	—	—	23	451	1	1	—	2	—	114	
Bremen	492,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	84	30	271	55	61	1	—	495	296	9	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	32	
Berlin (US Sector)	990,000	P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	85	44	179	36	60	1	—	315	162	15	10	—	10	—	—	—	—	305	1	—	2	—	—	
		P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	26	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	—	
		P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	4	85	10	1	—	—	182	78	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	83	—	—	—	—	—	—	
		P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	3	+	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	+	—	—	3	+	—	
		P	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	32	11	106	20	+	—	—	123	78	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

Case Rates Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum

Total US Zone	18,405,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11.1	3.7	35.9	6.7	6.9	0.3	—	53.9	29.0	1.4	0.8	0.2	0.4	—	1.8	93.6	0.2	—	0.5	4.5	21.6	
	9,124,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.0	2.3	35.9	6.6	7.0	0.4	—	45.2	23.4	1.4	0.7	0.1	0.2	—	2.0	140.9	0.2	—	0.5	8.3	35.3	
Hesse	4,121,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.6	3.8	34.2	6.9	7.7	0.1	—	62.5	37.3	1.1	1.0	0.4	—	—	2.9	56.9	0.1	—	0.3	—	14.4	
Wuerttemberg- Baden	3,678,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.0	6.2	25.3	5.1	8.5	0.1	—	44.5	22.9	2.1	1.4	—	1.4	—	—	—	43.1	0.1	—	0.3	—	4.5
Bremen	492,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18.0	4.2	89.8	10.6	1.1	—	—	192.4	82.4	—	—	—	—	—	7.4	87.7	—	—	—	16.9	—	
Berlin (US Sector)	990,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.8	5.8	55.7	10.5	+	—	—	64.6	41.0	—	—	2.1	—	—	—	+	—	—	1.6	+	+	

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APPENDIX "C" Communicable Disease Rates United States Zone of Germany for Week ending 31 May 1947

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation a)	Typhus Fever	Smallpox	Anthrax	Relapsing Fever	Cholera	Plague	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis Lung & Larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningococcus	Poliomyelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Enecephalitis Epidemic	Rabies	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
Total US Zone	18,405,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	11.1	3.7	35.9	6.7	6.9	0.3	—	53.9	29.0	1.4	0.8	0.2	0.4	—	1.8	93.6	0.2	—	0.5	4.5	21.6
Unterfranken	1,028,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.1	2.5	26.8	10.6	14.7	—	—	37.4	24.3	4.5	0.5	—	—	—	1.0	186.0	—	—	—	2.4	39.9
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,353,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	11.0	1.8	47.7	1.8	7.7	0.7	—	49.7	21.4	2.0	1.1	—	0.7	—	5.1	154.3	—	—	—	20.6	66.7
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	2,043,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	8.7	1.8	33.3	6.4	6.4	0.8	—	32.1	15.3	1.3	—	—	—	—	1.3	158.6	—	—	1.3	4.1	46.1
Schwaben	1,240,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	7.1	0.8	31.5	13.4	3.8	0.4	—	36.9	16.8	—	1.3	—	—	—	0.8	42.4	—	—	0.4	—	7.5
Oberbayern	2,459,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	11.4	4.0	32.8	6.1	5.1	—	—	59.2	35.1	0.4	0.6	0.2	—	—	0.6	144.4	0.8	—	0.6	6.6	8.2
Kassel	1,254,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.4	5.0	26.1	11.2	2.5	0.4	—	40.2	22.0	1.2	1.2	0.4	—	—	0.4	69.7	—	—	0.4	—	23.2
Wiesbaden	1,578,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	9.2	4.0	44.2	6.6	12.2	—	—	102.8	62.9	1.3	1.3	0.7	—	—	6.3	20.4	0.3	—	0.3	—	12.5
Darmstadt	1,289,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.5	2.4	29.9	3.2	7.3	—	—	34.7	21.0	0.8	0.4	—	—	—	1.2	89.2	—	—	—	—	8.1
Baden	1,397,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.8	1.9	26.8	7.4	3.0	0.4	—	54.7	25.3	1.1	0.4	—	2.6	—	—	85.6	—	—	—	—	—
Wuerttemberg	2,281,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	12.8	8.9	24.4	3.6	11.9	—	—	38.3	21.4	2.7	2.1	—	0.7	—	—	17.1	0.2	—	0.5	—	7.3
Bremen	492,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	18.0	4.2	89.8	10.6	1.1	—	—	192.4	82.4	—	—	—	—	—	7.4	87.7	—	—	—	16.9	—
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APPENDIX "D"

Incidence of Reportable Animal Diseases in the US Zone of Germany for the Period 1-15 May 1947

Figures are number of farms (Gehöfte) newly infected

Disease	Land Bavaria	Land Hesse	Land Baden Württbg.	Land Bremen	Berlin Dist.	Total US Zone 1-15 May	Total US Zone 16-30 April	Total US Zone 1-15 April	Total US Zone 16-31 March
Anthrax							2		
Blackleg									
Coital vesicular exanthema	30					30	5		12
Contagious abortion of bovine	23					23	5	1	9
Dourine of equine	3					3	15	6	6
Encephalomyelitis of equine (& Borna)	4	1	8			13	20	4	9
Erysipelas	127	29	33			189	183	95	71
Foot and mouth disease		1				1			1
Fowl cholera							6	4	1
Fowl pest	113	1	7			121	121	112	36
Glanders	1					1			
Infectious anemia of equine	3	3	3			9	21	4	9
Malignant edema of bovine									
Pox of ovine									
Rabies									
Scabies of bovine									11
Scabies of equine	15	2	2	3		22	37	39	60
Scabies of ovine	6	2	6			14	40	13	34
Swine fever	10	1				11		2	
Texas tick fever									
Trichomoniasis								18	36
Tuberculosis of bovine (open)			10			10	8	8	9
Nosemosis of bees		1				1	1	2	

